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SENATE BILL 1286  
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 3, relative to driver licenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-311, as amended by Chapter 700 of the Public Acts of 2000, is amended by deleting subsection (f)(2)(A) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(f)(2)(A) Upon receipt of a motor vehicle accident report in which a person with an intermediate driver license is determined to have contributed to the occurrence of an accident, or a second safety belt violation pursuant to § 55-9-603, the driver shall be ineligible to apply for an unrestricted driver license for an additional period of ninety (90) days from the time such driver would otherwise be eligible to obtain such license.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-311, as amended by Chapter 700 of the Public Acts of 2000, is amended by deleting subsection (f)(4) in its entirety.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-311, as amended by Chapter 700 of the Public Acts of 2000, is amended by deleting from subsection (j) the language "a motor vehicle accident,".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-311, as amended by Chapter 700 of the Public Acts of 2000, is amended by deleting subsection (l) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(l) The commissioner shall, upon receiving an accident report of an accident occurring in this state which has resulted in death, and upon determining an operator has contributed to the occurrence of an accident, adjudication or conviction against an operator who has an intermediate driver license, revoke the license of the operator and shall issue to such operator a learner permit. Such operator shall retain a learner permit until the operator reaches eighteen (18) years of age. Upon reaching eighteen (18) years of age, a driver can apply for an unrestricted driver license.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001 , the public welfare requiring it.